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PRESIDENT ROBAK: Please record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 6 nays on the amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Sections 10 to 15 of the Schellpeper amendment are adopted. We now turn to sections 1 through 9. (Division designated as FA206 and appears on page 1762 of the Legislative Journal.) And before we get there, Mr. Clerk, items for the record. I raise the call.

CLERK: Madam President, confirmation report from Health and Human Services Committee. Senator Will, amendments to (LB) 846; Senator Hartnett to (LB) 875; Senator Withem to (LB) 798. And I have two Attorney General's Opinion. One to Senator Crosby (Re: LB 532) and a second to Senator Wesely (Re: LB 280). (See pages 1753-62 of the Legislative Journal.) That's all that I have, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Tyson, to speak to sections 1 through 9.

SENATOR TYSON: Thank you, Madam President. I rise in opposition to sections 1 through 9, and I have to say that I was rather piqued by the change of title because I thought I could have a little amusement on government efficiency, which I would advance to the body as kind of an oxymoronic term. But Madam President, this bill, at least sections 1 through 9, I rise in opposition because, number one, I have an amendment following which takes out 1 through 8 of the old deal and which will become 1 through 9. This is a bad idea and it results in a bad bill. It leads to more bureaucracy, it leads to more state employees and I think is disingenuous for Senator Schellpeper to indicate that there won't be any more employees. There will be. The original bill called for five. We may cut that down to four, maybe four and a half, but there will be more. More cost to the political subdivisions. I think that Senator Hillman's points were well taken in that, lacking some of the depth and expertise, political subdivisions of all hues will hire consultants. As a matter of fact, we could call this the consultant full employment act. It adds more red tape and I would submit that it is also in conflict with itself, and I call